



Proclamation

In Recognition of

University of Hawai'i Coach Dave Shoji

WHEREAS, Dave Shoji led the Rainbow Wahine Volleyball Team at the University of Hawai'i for 42 seasons, becoming just the second coach in NCAA Division I women's volleyball history to reach 1,200 wins; and

WHEREAS, Dave Shoji is an icon in Hawai'i and is a member of the American Volleyball Coaches Hall of Fame, Hawai'i Sports Hall of Fame, and was named the National Coach of the Year in 1982, 1987, 1988, 1995 and 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Wahine Volleyball Team began in 1974, with Dave Shoji taking over as head coach a year later and turning the program into one of the most popular and profitable sports at the University of Hawai'i for more than four decades, resulting in four national championships (1-AIAW, 3-NCAA) and nine NCAA Final Four appearances. He finished his career with a phenomenal 1,202-204-1 record; and

WHEREAS, Dave Shoji never had a losing season and coached scores of Rainbow Wahine volleyball players to reach their full potential as student athletes, both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Rainbow Wahine volleyball players has inspired generations of young girls in Hawai'i to play volleyball and pursue sports as extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Wahine Volleyball Team has amassed a dedicated and loyal fan base that attends every game and follows the team to show their support and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Wahine volleyball program has earned the respect and admiration of the people of Hawai'i and has become the pride of University of Hawai'i athletics;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 13, 2017 as

"DAVE SHOJI DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Dave Shoji as the greatest coach in the history of University of Hawai'i athletics and to thank him for his contributions to the sport of volleyball and to the State of Hawai'i.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirteenth day of April 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i